

SENATE PASSES MARCELLINO'S BILL TO HELP STOP TERRORIST RECRUITMENT

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Terrorist organizations are in a perpetual search to recruit new members both in the United States and abroad. A bill (S455) sponsored by Senator Carl L. Marcellino (R, Syosset) would help prevent and punish those who engage in recruitment activity to get new members that will carry out terrorist acts. The measure creates the crime of terrorism recruitment when a person recruits, solicits, requests, commands, importunes or otherwise attempts to cause another person to engage in terrorist activities.

Senator Marcellino said, "We have a responsibility to hold accountable those extremist groups who recruit individuals for acts of terrorism. This growing trend requires an immediate response and this bill seeks to do just that, effectively deterring terrorist recruitment and punishing those who seek to use others for their heinous schemes."

The bill was sent to the Assembly.